

New York State Department of Health  
Doctors Across New York Physician Practice Support Program Request for Applications #1103141142  
Questions and Answers  
June 7, 2011

PLEASE NOTE: RFA 1103141142, PAGE 6, IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

Service To or Service in an Underserved Area:

An underserved area is defined as an area in which *any two* of the following criteria apply:

- Primary Care or Mental Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA); or
- Medically Underserved Area (MUA) or Medically Underserved Population (MUP); or
- Any area with a physician specialty shortage defined in Attachment VIII of this RFA (which corresponds to the Regents Non-Primary Shortage Areas by County); or
- Any area that meets the criteria listed in Attachment III Statement of Need (RFA page 36) items d. through h.

RFA 1103141142, PAGE 37, IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

\_\_\_\_\_e. For primary care facilities, greater than 35% of all clinic visits for a period of 4 months or more resulted in emergency department referrals.

RFA 1103141142, PAGE 9, IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

5. Attachment V: Employment Contract or Business Plan

The signed employment contract/agreement must be between an eligible physician and an eligible hospital, health care facility or medical practice; or, if the applicant is an individual physician planning to set up a practice using PPS program funding, a business plan must be included.

The signed employment contract/agreement must include the 2 year service obligation that must begin on or after October 1, 2011 period.

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1.	We are considering extending an offer of employment to a Canadian citizen physician to work at our office in the city of Buffalo, (a HPSA level 13), they are finishing up their residency at the University at Buffalo. Would this physician be eligible for the Doctors Across New York Physician Practice Support Program if they were here on a J1 visa or other such visa? I saw the requirement for legal permanent residence, and wondered whether this would be considered legal permanent residence. We are having such a difficult time recruiting physicians to work with us here in Buffalo serving the underserved, it would be great to have this incentive, since the applicants are not eligible for loan repayment through the National Health Services Corps. We could incentivize these excellent physicians to work with us!	No, this physician and any physician on a visa would NOT be eligible. Only U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents are eligible for the DANY program.
2.	Regarding the new RFA Doctors Across NY Physician Practice Support Program (RFA #1103141142): Can physicians who qualify (e.g. primary care physician) apply <u>on their own</u> - independent of the hospital where they work- for the loan forgiveness grant?	Individual physicians may apply provided they meet all of the eligibility requirements in the RFA. (page 7)
3.	Is it possible for an entity to qualify for funding by providing two or more identified specialty medical services in a shortage area in a part-time manner, as long as they equate to the required total of 32 clinical hours per week?	No, one physician must provide at least 35 hours of service (with a minimum of 32 clinical hours) per week at least 48 weeks per year. (page 4)
4.	As per the notice received from the Medical Society of the State of New York (below), I would greatly appreciate any information, forms, applications, etc. needed so I may share this program with my graduating medical school students.	You may access The Doctors Across New York Physician Practice Support Request for Applications (RFA) and application documents at the following website: <a href="http://www.health.ny.gov/funding/rfa/1103141142/index.htm">http://www.health.ny.gov/funding/rfa/1103141142/index.htm</a>
5.	On page 6, under “Start Date,” it says can’t be prior to July 1, 2010. Should that be July 1, 2011?	No, the employment start date for the position submitted in the application cannot be prior to July 1, 2010.
6.	On page 6, under “An underserved area is defined as...,” in the second	Yes, it should read Attachment VIII.

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	to last bullet, it says, "Attachment 4 of this RFA." Should that be, "Attachment VIII"?	
7.	On page 6, under Service to or service in..., it gives time limitations for underserved areas listed "in Attachment VIII or IX." Should that be, "in Attachment VIII or IX or a HPSA, MUA, MUP, or RPSA"?	No, attachment VIII and IX define the rural counties and towns within NYS and specialty shortage areas that meet the application criteria.
8.	Can the identified physician's 32 hours full time clinical practice include direct, onsite supervision of Family Medicine residents at the Family Medicine continuity teaching practice which is located in an MUA?	Yes, as long as the identified physician meets the application criteria.
9.	I am 2nd year Emergency Medicine resident at the University of Rochester Strong Memorial Hospital. I will be graduating from residency in June 2012, and hope to be in the Rochester area for a year until my wife finishes up her residency training. I was reading through the application file and it seems that Loan repayment program requires a 2 year commitment. I was wondering if there is the option to do a 1 year commitment, and request for \$50,000 in loan repayment. I am planning on working in an underserved Emergency Department in the Rochester area.	No, the DANY Physician Practice Support Program requires a two year commitment by the physician.
10.	Can you please clarify that an application can be submitted for any specialty, not just primary care specialties.	An application can be submitted for any of the specialties or related subspecialties that are in a specialty shortage area. (see attachment VIII)
11.	Can you please clarify that funding awarded for an application submitted by a facility or medical practice can be used for more than one physician.	No, each application provides funding for one full-time physician.
12.	Quick clarification re the new RFA, if we are applying as an institution do we need to apply for a specific physician who needs to commit to a 2 year stay with us? Or can we say we will recruit for a physician and tell you who they are when we hire someone?	A physician MUST be identified by the institution when applying for funding through the DANY RFA and that physician must have an executed employment contract with the applicant institution.
13.	Does the physician have to come from a practice area that is not underserved or come to a practice area that is underserved?	The physician cannot currently be working in or serving an underserved area in New York State where the current service began prior to July 1, 2010.
14.	If I apply for both the NYS Regents Physician Loan Forgiveness Program and DANY is my application to DANY counted against me?	No, provided the Regents service commitment does not coincide with any portion of the PPS service obligation.
15.	Would my application to DANY be accepted if I submit my application before June 14th?	Applications will be accepted continuously from 9:00 a.m. on June 14, 2011 through 4 p.m. on March 30,

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		2012 or until funds are exhausted.
16.	Our office is part of New York City's Human Resources Administration (HRA) and we have a program called the Visiting Psychiatric Service (VPS) staffed by psychiatrists who are NYC employees and who provide home based psychiatric evaluation and crisis intervention services to adult clients being serviced by HRA and other designated external agencies. In the past the VPS had been designated as an MUA in the past for purposes of NYS physician loan forgiveness and loan re-payment programs. Some existing and potential new psychiatrists have educational loans. Would our psychiatrists be eligible to apply given they are New York City employees?	Yes, as long as they are not employed by New York State (the determining factor will be whether or not a State entity issues the physician's paycheck) AND all areas in which the visiting clinician will serve are clearly denoted on the application.
17.	The RFA states in the application requirements that an individual must be a physician "not currently working in or serving an underserved area in NYS where the current service began prior to July 1, 2010...." Would that mean that only psychiatrists on staff who began working for us after 7/1/10 or who have yet to be hired would be eligible to apply?	Yes, that is correct.
18.	If a hospital is submitting an application for a new primary care physician, does it have to name the person who will be hired at the time the application is submitted?	Yes, the physician MUST be identified by the institution when applying for funding through the DANY PPS RFA.
19.	What is the earliest possible start date for a new physician hired under the program if a hospital submits their application on June 14, 2011? Based on the text in the <i>Review and Award Process</i> section (p. 9) of the RFA, August 1, 2011 appears to be the earliest start date. On p. 6, <i>Start Date</i> , however, you state that the start date of the service obligation cannot be prior to October 1, 2011. Please confirm the start dates for employment and the service obligation.	The start date of the contract with NYS and the service obligation is on or after October 1, 2011. If a physician is hired by an organization prior to that date, their 2 year obligation will begin on or after October 1, 2011, and the organization's 2 year contract with NYS will begin on or after October 1, 2011.
20.	On page 5 of the RFA, the Department encourages applicants that are submitting more than 1 application to collaborate with other applicants in their service area before applying. What do you mean by "collaborate" in this context? Are you suggesting that a physician work at more than 1 facility? Please clarify the purpose and suggested outcome for a collaboration between 2 hospitals located in the same service area, for example.	We suggested that organizations could collaborate in order to fulfill the needs of the community.
21.	The Health Care Committee of the State Senate met on May 17, 2011	Dentists are not eligible to apply for this funding

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	to discuss making dentists eligible for the <i>Doctors Across New York Program</i> . What was the outcome?	opportunity.
22.	If we apply for recruitment funding of \$100,000 and use our new Orthopedic surgeon as our identified physician, can he also apply for \$100,000 of loan repayment through DANY?	No, physicians may benefit from only one DANY award.
23.	The application is in PDF form, so I am not able to type our answers. Would you prefer that I re-type the entire application with our answers, or should I print the DANY application and hand write the answers?	Handwritten applications are acceptable, provided all handwriting is legible. However, the application materials are on the DOH website as a fillable Word document in addition to the PDF version.
24.	In Attachment III, Section 2, Proposed site location, we must check at least 2 items. We are a HPSA facility and we <b>ARE</b> located in a HPSA area. Can we not check a & b?	No, you cannot check A and B as one applies to primary care providers and the other to mental health providers.
25.	In Attachment III, Section 2, Proposed site location, is it required to answer items h and i since we are applying for funding for a specialist? OR, can we leave these blank if we are able to check 2 other items?	Items h and i need to be answered if you are applying for a specialty position.
26.	We are currently recruiting for a Psychiatrist. Are inpatient Psychiatrists eligible for loan repayment through DANY? Or only outpatient Psychiatrists?	Both inpatient and outpatient physicians are eligible as long as they meet the application requirements.
27.	Under the original DANY RFA Physicians had to be trained in NY State to qualify for the loan. Is this no longer a requirement?	This is no longer a requirement. (see RFA page 7)
28.	Under the original DANY RFA Physicians had to have completed Residency within 5 years of applying for the award. Is this also no longer a requirement?	This is no longer a requirement. (see RFA page 7)
29.	Geriatrics is not listed either under Primary Care or as a Specialty. Does this specialty qualify under this program? If so, is it considered Primary Care or a Specialty? If a Specialty, in what counties is it considered an underserved specialty?	Geriatrics qualifies and is generally considered part of primary care.
30.	In this RFA, do Health systems/Hospitals have to contract with a Physician prior to applying for an award instead of applying for a specific site and identifying a Physician later?	Yes, the physician <b>MUST</b> be identified prior to application submission, and the physician must have an executed employment contract with the applicant institution.
31.	On page 24 of the RFA, the list of eligible funding includes “Other direct compensation payments to physician”. As we employ physicians, we would like to know if this includes salary and benefits.	Yes, this includes salary and benefits paid to the physician.
32.	When we submit an application for funding for an identified	See response to Question 22.

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	physician, does this prohibit or lessen the chances of success for an individual application by the identified physician for educational loan repayment?	
33.	The RFA defines Full-Time Clinical Practice as providing at least 35 hours of service (with a minimum of 32 clinical hours) per week for at least 48 weeks per year. Normally we contract with MDs for 44-46 weeks per year.	All physicians must work for at least 48 weeks per year as per the full-time eligibility requirements defined in the RFA.
34.	A private practice in the hospital service area hired a physician. The hospital has a separate contract with the physician to pay his multi-year sign on bonus and moving expenses. Can the hospital apply to DANY for the sign on bonus and moving expenses even though the physician is not our employee?	Yes, as long as the other entity or individual physician does not apply for PPS funding and the expenses are incurred during the contract period.
35.	Page 6 under the definition of Underserved Area is says Attachment 4. Isn't that supposed to read Attachment 8?	Yes, this should read Attachment VIII.
36.	I am a primary care general internist at Bellevue Hospital in Manhattan, where at least 40% of my patients are uninsured and at least 80% or more are underserved, with large homeless and immigrant populations. I spend three months a year as an inpatient hospitalist on housestaff (resident) services, with the same amount of uninsured and underserved patients. I have over \$180,000 of medical school debt. I finished residency in 2010 and I began working here on July 6, 2010, after the deadline in your criteria. Do I qualify to apply to use the funds for loan repayment?	Yes, as long as you meet all of the eligibility criteria.
37.	<p>Are the incentives available only for the designated areas? (i.e. loan repayment, helping defray costs of starting one's own practice, etc)</p> <p>If so, can you please send me a list of which areas are included?</p>	<p>Expenses that are eligible for funding include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Land/building acquisition (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>b. Renovation/construction (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>c. Equipment/furniture (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>d. Staff salaries (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>e. Qualified educational loan repayment (for individual physician applicants only)</li> <li>f. Income guarantees</li> <li>g. Investment in partnerships</li> <li>h. Recruitment/productivity bonus</li> </ul>

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		i. Relocation reimbursement j. Professional membership fees k. Continuing medical education costs l. Other direct compensation payments to physician
38.	Is a Geriatrician who is board eligible or board certified in primary care or general internal medicine eligible for funding under Primary Care?	Yes.
39.	If requesting funding for a Geriatrician under Primary Care, is it necessary to complete Attachment III.3. Proposed Specialty on page 37 of the RFA?	Yes.
40.	In regard to page 8 of the RFA, C. Application Requirements; 2. Attachment II Identified Physician Information...If the recruited physician currently works, and has worked prior to July 2010 in a county (not the applicant's county) that is a designated HPSA, but most of the county is not a designated MUA/P; and the physician's worksite is located in the HPSA county but is not in a designated MUA/P; is the physician eligible for the Physician Practice program?	No, the physician would not be eligible.
41.	Page 6 of the RFA defines a NYS Regents Physician Shortage Area (RPSA) as an underserved area. If the proposed Site Location is a clinic within a NYS Regents Physician Shortage Hospital, does this qualify the site as being located in an underserved area? If yes, why is this not a listed option in Attachment III.2.: Proposed Site Location on page 37 of the RFA?	No, the site must meet the required criteria listed on page 1 of this document, in addition to meeting the required additional criteria in the application materials and the RFA See RFA change to page 6 (as clarified on page 1 of this document).
42.	If a hospital is the applicant and the site location is a clinic within the hospital, can the Statement of Need documentation for Attachment III.2 Proposed Site Location (page 37 of RFA) be based on the clinic; i.e. percentages for the site's visits for indigent care, wait times, etc.?	Yes, the information should be provided for where the physician will be physically working.
43.	If a hospital is the applicant, is a portion of the physician's salary an eligible expense?	Yes.
44.	Would physician salary be considered "other direct compensation payments to physician" as indicated on page 24 of the RFA as an eligible expense? What other eligible expenses are considered "other	Yes, the types of compensation available to physicians and facilities are listed on Attachment IV Budget Request for Facility or Practice Applicants. If

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	direct compensation payments to physicians”?	a specific example is provided to the Department, it will be reviewed for eligibility; however, it must be a payment made directly to the physician.
45.	Should physician’s salary expense be listed as “other cash payment to physician” on Attachment IV – B: Budget Request for Facility or Practice Applicants (page 41 of RFA)? What “other cash payments to physicians” are eligible expenses?	Yes.
46.	In the new RFP for the 2011 grant it says that monies can be used for "eligible practice costs and/or education loan repayment" What are the eligible practice costs?	<p>Expenses that are eligible for funding include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Land/building acquisition (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>b. Renovation/construction (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>c. Equipment/furniture (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>d. Staff salaries (for individual physician applicants starting a practice)</li> <li>e. Qualified educational loan repayment (for individual physician applicants only)</li> <li>f. Income guarantees</li> <li>g. Investment in partnerships</li> <li>h. Recruitment/productivity bonus</li> <li>i. Relocation reimbursement</li> <li>j. Professional membership fees</li> <li>k. Continuing medical education costs</li> <li>l. Other direct compensation payments to physician</li> </ul>
47.	Can physicians already recruited and working for or at a hospital facility be eligible for the loan forgiveness funding?	Yes, if the physician was not hired prior to July 1, 2010 and meets the eligibility requirements.
48.	Can a hospital apply for practice support for a recently recruited physician who is already set up in a practice?	See response to Question 47.
49.	Must a hospital have a needed physician recruited and a signed contract for employment or an income guarantee signed and in place in order to qualify for practice support?	Yes.
50.	In the new RFP for the 2011 grant it says that monies can be used for "eligible practice costs and/or education loan repayment" What are the eligible practice costs?	See answer to Question 37.



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51.	If approved for a 2 year DANY loan repayment, would I be still be eligible for other loan repayment funding from other organizations such as the national health corps or regents?	No, you would not be eligible for DANY funding if you receive loan repayment funding from another source that would require a service obligation where any portion of that service obligation would coincide with the service obligation under DANY.
52.	<p>My current situation is that I will be an employed by a large organization that will place me in an underserved HPSA area starting July 1st. As a salaried employee, can I individually apply for the loan repayment due to my primary care practice location?</p> <p>Can the organization put in a separate application for funding based on the fact that they have employees working in HPSA?</p> <p>Do we need to put in an application together?</p> <p>Will separate applications allow for increased funding- one for the physician loan and the other for the clinic practice costs?</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>No.</p> <p>No.</p> <p>See response to Question 22.</p>
53.	Can the Department of Health specify which of the Cost Categories listed on Attachment IV B are exempt from taxes?	Under the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, funds received by a health care professional for loan repayment are tax exempt. If you have any additional questions, you should contact your tax preparer.
54.	What is the average award amount in past cycles?	\$88,179.
55.	<p>The RFA states: "Applicants other than individual physicians (e.g., health care facilities and physician practices) may submit one application per Operating Certificate (OpCert) or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) per State fiscal quarter (defined in Section II), up to a total of two eligible applications during the entire application period. No more than two awards will be made to any one applicant of this type. To maximize the diversity of applicants, those planning to submit more than one application are encouraged to collaborate with other applicants in the catchment or service area before applying (pp. 7-8)."</p> <p>We are a multi-hospital system with two campuses. Each campus has it's own operating certificate and PFI number. Are we eligible to submit 4 applications within the entire cycle (two per campus) or can</p>	You are eligible to submit 4 applications.

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	we only submit two applications collectively for both campuses?	
56.	I am a PGY2 of internal Medicine program at Woodhull Medical Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. and I will graduate in June 30th, 2012. I am interested in this program (DANY) and I will know if I can apply with [an] H-1B visa.	No, you must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
57.	Are expenses that were incurred prior to July 1, 2010 eligible for funding even if the physicians started work after 7/1/10?(e.g. stipend expenses for an MD that were advanced prior to their work start date)	Expenses will only be reimbursed for costs incurred during the contract period beginning no earlier than October 1, 2011.
58.	Can applicants apply for multiple uses of the Practice support up to the \$100,000 limit, such as a portion for income guarantee, a portion for sign-on etc.?	Yes.
59.	The RFP states that applicants can apply for 2 awards each. When the RFP for Loan Repayment is released, will a facility that applied for 2 practice support awards also be able to apply for loan repayment funding?	Yes, for different physicians than those applied for through the PPS program.
60.	Is the waiting time for services (attachment III, statement of need) based on the service area in general or the particular practice in which they are placing a physician?	It should be based on the service area of the practice.
61.	What flexibility do applicants have in matching the service area to the applying physician's practice?	The service area is where the physician is practicing or intends to practice.
62.	The RFP states that a facility can apply for 2 awards per op cert. For hospital systems that contain multiple hospitals, can each hospital submit two applications, or is it limited to 2 applications per health system?	If each hospital within the system has a unique operating certificate number, each hospital can submit two applications.
63.	If an applicant is applying for loan repayment, must the loan be strictly for medical school, or could it be for some other educational expense, such as a Master's in Public health or Health Policy?	Yes, the funds are available for repayment of educational debt.
64.	If an applicant submits an application to provide a physician with a sign on bonus, is that physician eligible to submit a separate application for loan repayment?	See answer to Question 22.
65.	My health system includes 4 hospitals and an employed physician group. The hospitals all have different operating certificates, but the medical group is not an Article 28 entity and so does not have an op cert. Is it allowable to submit my hospital applications under the operating certificate and the medical group application under its FEIN?	Yes.

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66.	Currently I am chief resident in state university SUNY in GERIATRICS I wanted some more information on whether I am eligible to apply as I am inclined to serve in the rural community being on J 1 visa holder.	No, you must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
67.	I want to open a practice in the Commack area of Suffolk County NY is this area eligible for funds for a general internal medicine practice (which obviously will be focused on primary/preventable care)?	See page 6, definition of Service In or Service To An Underserved Area.
68.	I am currently a second year medical resident, do I specifically request the breakdown of funds (i.e. for loan repayment vs. for capital expenditure etc) or do I keep it "broad?"	Only physicians who have completed their training by the start date of the PPS service obligation are eligible.
69.	I have not yet located the exact office space where I hope to practice, can I still apply for funds?	You must identify the location of the practice on the application.
70.	I am a pediatrician interested in applying for The Doctors Across New York Physician Practice Support Program. I have read through the application and fulfill the requirements. I am taking a job at Harlem Hospital in the pediatric/neonatology department. I will be working with the neonatology department taking care of the smallest pediatric patients. I will be full a time employee. To appropriately cover the nursery due to staff shortage, I will be working my 40 hours in large shifts over four days. I will be performing shifts greater than 12 hours at a time.  I am writing to obtain prior approval by your department as is specified in the application for the grant. Because of the nature of my work, I have to work greater than 12 hour shifts. I have about \$75,000 in medical school loan debt which I hope will be paid off through this grant.	You are eligible to apply for the DANY PPS program as long as you meet all of the eligibility requirements.
71.	Can a physician still be eligible for an award under DANY if he was hired before 7/2010, but if the site he works at is nevertheless underserved? (Confusion caused by information on pg. 8 in 'Request for Applications' vs. p. 5 of 'Fillable Application Materials'? It mentions start dates of both before and after 7/10.	No, a physician cannot be working in an underserved area prior to 7/1/2010.
72.	Can a hospital apply for an award under DANY without an identified/obligated physician in mind, but rather secure funds for a potential hire?	No, the physician MUST be identified on the application.
73.	Can a hospital/practice apply for an award under DANY to be utilized	No. Only expenses incurred after the start date of the

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	as a sign-on bonus for a physician, but apply it retroactively as reimbursement for a bonus to a physician hired after 7/2010?	contract with NYS are eligible for reimbursement.
74.	Is there a benefit in a physician applying individually vs. an institution applying on his/her behalf, i.e., are there purposes for which a physician can only apply him/herself?	See response to Q 22.
75.	Can a hospital apply for an award under DANY for a certain physician, and can that same physician apply for themselves for educational loan repayment?	See response to Q 22.
76.	What exactly is meant by a site that is "designated as a primary care Health Professional Shortage facility (HPSA), but is not located in a geographically designated HPSA area." ?	There are facility HPSA designations that are different and separate from those that pertain to geographic areas. Facilities designated as HPSAs would be listed by name on the HPSA website, <a href="http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/HPSASearch.aspx">http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/HPSASearch.aspx</a> .
77.	<p>Ours is a group practice in a designated rural area, and we currently employ a doctor (with specialties in Internal Medicine &amp; Pediatrics) who began work for us in August of 2010. His one-year contract with us will expire in July of this year. In July, we would like to have this doctor sign a two- or three- year contract with us, instead of a one-year contract. It would be helpful for us to be able to offer him a bonus for this new contract, or to help him further with loan repayment. Would your program be able to help us in either of these instances?</p> <p>This doctor had a salary guarantee for his first year, but it was a number of months before his receipts were able to cover the cost of his salary, malpractice insurance, and associated office costs. Could we apply for assistance in reimbursing the costs we incurred during this start-up period? If so, what costs would be taken into account against the reimbursement? Would only salary be taken into account as a valid expense, or could malpractice costs and office expenses be included as well?</p>	<p>You may apply for funding through the DANY PPS program.</p> <p>No, expenses will only be reimbursed for costs incurred during the contract period on or no sooner than October 1, 2011.</p>
78.	In Attachment III, Section 2, item e: What is defined as primary care visits for the Emergency Department? Would all Immediate Treatment Center visits be considered primary care? Are there certain CPT codes that define primary care? What exact data would you like us to include?	For primary care facilities, we are asking if, in that facility, greater than 35% of all clinic visits for a period of 4 months or more resulted in emergency department referrals.

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79.	<p>Could you please let us know if there are any restrictions on the schools that the Primary Care Physician's attended in order for them to be eligible for this practice and loan support? In other words, does the school or the residency completed have to be in New York State? Does the individual physician have to be a resident now of New York State?</p>	<p>No, please see eligibility requirements.</p>
80.	<p>The RFP states that the start date for working is after July 1, 2010. The start date of the service obligation will be after October 1, 2011. We have two eligible MDs. One with a start date of August 1, 2010 and the other with a start date of October 1, 2010. They both signed two year contracts. The DANY service obligation will necessitate negotiating additional time on their contracts. Will it be possible for us to renegotiate any of their terms for the additional year as we would have to in 2011, at the end of their original two year contract?</p>	<p>The contract between the physician and the institution must include the entire 2 year service obligation that begins on or after October 1, 2011.</p> <p>Please note, only one application is allowed during a state fiscal quarter. Therefore, in this instance, you could apply for each of the two eligible physicians but not at the same time.</p>
81.	<p>Attachment IV - Budget request for facility or practice applicants. I notice that the total cannot equal more than \$100,000 in two years. Do we have to enter amounts in all lines such as "income, recruitment, productivity" etc?</p>	<p>Only enter amounts in the categories where you are requesting funding to equal the maximum of \$100,000.</p>